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Propaganda Approach for Middle East

1. The attached brief memorandum suggests a possible line to exploit the recent Soviet subscription of four hundred million rubles to the Aswan Dam project. This interpretation is not unique since I notice that Joseph Alsop, in his column this morning, took approximately the same tack.

2. However, here it is for any use it may be to you. We feel that much available evidence could be developed to support the thesis that Nasser's motives are not notably altruistic, that he is aiming at the aggrandizement of Nasser and Egypt at the expense of other Middle East and North African Arab states.

3. Feel free to call on us for any assistance you may wish in this connection.

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